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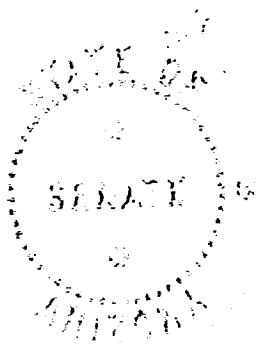
State of Arizona
Senate
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SENATE RESOLUTION 1001

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE A.V. "BILL" HARDT.

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1 The Honorable August Valentine "Bill" Hardt passed away on August 1,
2 2001 at the age of ninety-four in Globe, Arizona.

3 Born in Hondo, Texas on November 12, 1906, Bill Hardt arrived in Globe,
4 Arizona in 1933 when he came to work for the Civilian Conservation Corps. He
5 served his adopted community admirably throughout his lifetime as a
6 businessman, public servant and community leader. He worked in the copper
7 mines of Globe before establishing the Unique Sporting Goods store, which he
8 owned and operated for more than twenty-five years. Bill Hardt entered the
9 political arena in the 1950's, serving one term on the Globe City Council and
10 three terms as mayor.

11 In 1966, Bill Hardt was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives
12 where he served two years before being elected to the Arizona Senate in 1968.
13 He ably served his constituents in this capacity for a record twenty-eight
14 years until his retirement in 1996 at the age of ninety. During his
15 remarkable tenure in the Senate, he served as chairman of the Appropriations
16 Committee and was twice chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. Known as
17 "Mr. Rural Arizona", he strove to give a voice to rural Arizonans and to
18 bring economic prosperity to the rural areas he loved. Throughout his
19 exemplary service in the Arizona Legislature, Bill Hardt earned the well
20 deserved reputation as being hardworking, honest and dependable, and he
21 earned the respect and admiration of his peers on both sides of the political
22 aisle.

23 Over the years, Bill Hardt's tremendous efforts earned him recognition
24 by countless community service organizations. He received the 1972 Golden
25 Service Award from the Globe-Miami community and was honored by the U.S.
26 Assembly of Government Employees as one of the nation's "Ten Outstanding
27 Legislators" in 1978. In 1981 he received the Others Award from the
28 Salvation Army and in 1989 he received the Western Region Award from the
29 Association of State Safety Officials for his work on dam safety. In 1994,
30 he was inducted in to the Arizona Democratic Party Hall of Fame and in the
31 mid-1990s the University of Arizona established a Community and Rural
32 Development Endowment in his name. In 2001, the Globe Lions Club presented
33 Bill Hardt with the Melvin Jones Foundation Award and the Gila County Board
34 of Supervisors honored him along with other long-standing Arizona politicians
35 by placing plaques of their portraits on the exterior of the Gila County
36 Building.

37 Dedicated to his family, Bill Hardt will be greatly missed by his wife,
38 Athia, son, August, Jr., daughters, Kathryn, Jo and Athia, brother, Alvin,
39 sisters, Lorene and Ruby, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.
40 Therefore

41 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona:

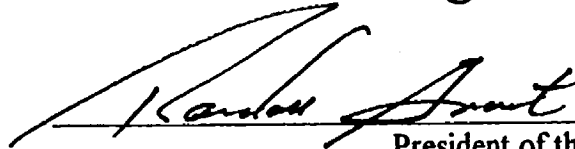
42 That the Members of the Senate sincerely regret the passing of A.V.
43 "Bill" Hardt and extend their sympathies and condolences to his family and
44 many friends.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE SENATE JANUARY 15, 2002.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE JANUARY 15, 2002.

READ IN FULL AND
UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

Passed the Senate January 15, 2002



President of the Senate.



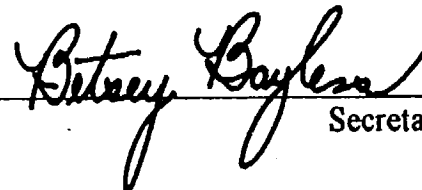
Secretary of the Senate.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 15th day of January, 2002

at 11:40 o'clock 41 M.



Secretary of State.